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MEMORANDUM FOR: Brigadier General John Magruder
Chief, Strategic Services Unit
Office, Assistant Secretary of War

Subject: Supplies and Equipment, Central Intelligence Group

1. The recently established Central Intelligence Group requires assistance from an administrative agency within government in all matters connected with office supply, equipment, and related services. The Strategic Services Unit, War Department is hereby designated as the appropriate agency to serve the Group.

2. You are requested, therefore, to establish liaison immediately with the Central Intelligence Group for the purpose of providing needed office supplies, equipment and related services necessary to the operation of the Group.

3. Inasmuch as the State and Navy Departments are jointly concerned with the War Department in all matters connected with the successful operation of the Central Intelligence Group you are further requested to confer with appropriate representatives of the State and Navy Departments in order that all costs for supplies, equipment and related services may be prorated among the three departments. Mr. of the Central Intelligence Group will arrange such a conference.

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4. The designation indicated herein will remain in effect until further notice or until such time as future developments establish other means whereby the needs of the Group in this administrative area can be met.

(Signed) Howard C. Petersen

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The Assistant Secretary of War

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